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examiner in a supplemental remarks or a continuing application.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The applicant expressly reserves the right to address the 103(a) rejections raised by the Examiner for claims 4, 5, 22 and 23 in a supplemental remarks or a continuing application, which have been cancelled in order to expedite allowance of a particular aspect of the invention. The applicant also reserves the right to submit evidence supporting the non-obviousness, such as unexpected results of the subject matter of claims 9 and 10 or fully address the issue of obviousness in another amendment and remarks or a continuing application.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant submits that the claims 12 and 33-35 which are pending in the Application, are now believed to be in condition for allowance. If there are any issues which prevent the immediate issuance of a Notice of Allowance the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant at the contacts listed below.

Respectfully Submitted

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